ASH BIOGRAPHIES

PROPERTY: assessed value TIME. PERSONAL £476.0.0, including 8 slaves and 15 oz. plate, 1783; 7 slaves, 1790, LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 450 acres in Harford County (inherited from his father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: during the late 1780s and early 1800s he purchased about 350 acres in Harford County adjoining his home plantation; received a number of mortgages as pavment or security for debts owed to him. WEALTH AT DEATH, DIED: on September 28, 1810, at "Medical Hall," Harford County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, \$58,070.80 (including stock in Baltimore City and Washington, D.C. banks, roads, insurance, and U.S. certificates); FB, \$58,038.10. LAND: his home plantation consisted of 807 acres, plus he had an additional 260 acres in Harford County; he may also have owned property in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania.

ASHMAN, GEORGE (?-ca. 1699/1700). BORN: in England. IMMIGRATED: in 1678, probably as a redemptioner from London. RESIDED: in Baltimore County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. BROTHERS: John; James. MARRIED by 1685/86 Elizabeth, widow of William Cromwell (?-1683). CHILDREN. SON: John. STEPSONS: Thomas Cromwell: Philip Cromwell: and William Cromwell. DAUGHTERS: Charity; Elizabeth. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STA-TUS AND ACTIVITIES: probably a servant (redemptioner) on arrival; no title as late as the first reference after his marriage; his appointment to a justiceship followed his marriage; Gent. in 1696. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably a servant, 1678; planter. PUBLIC CAREER, LEGISLATIVE SER-VICE: Lower House, Baltimore County, 1692-1693, 1696-1697 (elected to the 6th session), 1697/98-1699 (Aggrievances 1; died before the 4th session). LOCAL OFFICES: overseer of highways, Baltimore County, 1684: justice, Baltimore 1686-1699/1700 (quorum, 1699/1700): Patapsco Vestry, Baltimore County, 1693-1696. MILITARY SERVICE: colonel at death. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME, PERSONAL PROP-ERTY: £150.14.3, plus 5 servants through his marriage: 3 slaves and 6 servants in 1692: 3 slaves and 4 servants in 1694; 2 slaves and 5 servants in 1695. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 300 acres from his wife's dower; patented another 572 acres in 1695. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on February 23, 1699/1700. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £415.6.2 sterling (including 5 slaves and 5 servants); FB, £278.8.0. LAND: over 618 acres (2 plantations).

ASHMEAD, SAMUEL (?-ca. 1779). IMMI-GRATED: probably, if so by 1766. RESIDED: in Baltimore County (later became part of Harford County). FAMILY BACKGROUND. Probably related to Joseph Ashmead (?-ca. 1787), of Annapolis, an innkeeper. MARRIED Ruth. CHILDREN. SON: John (by 1757-?), an insolvent debtor in 1801. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: miller; owned a gristmill, by 1769. PUB-LIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Convention, Harford County, 5th, 1775. LOCAL OFFICE: justice, Harford County, appointed 1778. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 400 acres in Harford County, mortgaged, 1769; 1 lot on Fells Point, Baltimore Town, SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: obtained a release on his mortgaged land shortly before his death. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: between October 24, 1778, and January 13, 1779, in Harford County, LAND: 400 acres in Harford County; probably 1 lot on Fells Point, Baltimore Town.

BAIRD (BAYARD, BEARD), WILLIAM (ca. 1732-1792). BORN: ca. 1732. RESIDED: in Upper District, Frederick County (later became part of Washington County); resided in Elizabeth Town (later called Hagerstown), Washington County, by 1790 until death. MARRIED by 1784 Margaret (?-1800), widow of John Reynolds. CHILDREN, SON: William, Jr. (ca. 1767-?), resided in Elizabeth Hundred, Frederick County (later became part of Washington County); moved to Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, by 1794; he possibly married in 1785 Dorothy Camrey. STEPSONS: Joseph Reynolds; William McKee Reynolds; Thomas Reynolds; and John Reynolds. DAUGHTERS: Esther, who married Joseph Little; Fanny; Peggy; and Ruth, who married (first name unknown) Wallace. STEPDAUGHTERS: Betsy Reynolds; Mary Reynolds, who married Joseph Clarke; and Sarah Reynolds, who married Edward A. Thomas. PRI-VATE CAREER, EDUCATION: literate. SOCIAL STA-TUS AND ACTIVITIES: Mr., 1775; Esq., 1780. OC-CUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably a planter; land speculator. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SER-VICE: Conventions, Frederick County, 6th-8th, 1775-1776. LOCAL OFFICES: Committee of Observation, Frederick County, 1775; collector of gold and silver coin, Frederick County, appointed 1776; coroner, Washington County, 1777-1792. MILI-TARY SERVICE: major, 1754. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: 6 slaves, 1790. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 802 acres in Frederick County. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BE-